Subject: Art appreciation lesson on American coinage

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American Numismatic Society
155th St. and Broadway
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:

I have been referred by the Treasury Department to you in the expectation that you might be able to answer my query, or might know of some publication which would help me.

I am a demonstration teacher in one of the State Normal Schools here at New Paltz. For a long time I have wished to present an art appreciation lesson on American coinage but feel that I do not know enough actual facts.

I would like to know something about the symbolical meaning on the common American coins; who were the

designers; and who appointed them to originate a design.

I would greatly appreciate any help that you might give me.

Truly yours,

Ruth C. Merry

May 18th, 1926

Miss Ruth C. Merry
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Dear Madam:

Replying to your favour of May 14th, it is a rather large contract you have given us to answer in one letter. Also, I think we could not reply adequately and I would suggest your coming to our Museum here at some time convenient to you in order that we may help you all we can. We could then perhaps give you what information you need in a short space of time; and more, as you would want it, which would prove more satisfactory than any amount of letterwriting.

Should you care to call upon us, I would suggest your telephoning for an appointment, in advance.

Very truly yours,

Curator